CHAPTER NO. 707

HOUSE BILL NO. 2656

By Representative Cooper

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3081

By Senator Harper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 50 and Title 63, relative to health screening of children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-5004, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and by adding the following new subsections:
 - (b) A health care professional is authorized to indicate the need for a dental or vision screening on any report or form used in relationship to reporting immunization status for a child as required under this part. Health care professionals shall provide a copy of such report or form to the parents or guardians indicating the need to seek appropriate examinations for the child.
 - (c) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the provisions of Title 4, Chapter 5, necessary to carry out this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 6, 2004

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 18th day of May 2004

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR